MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD AND THE ESCAMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HELD MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2017 AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE ECUA BOARD ROOM AT 9255 STURDEVANT STREET, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK, PENSACOLA, FL

ECUA Board Members present: Lois Benson, Chairman

Dale Perkins, Vice Chairman

Vicki Campbell Elvin McCorvey Larry Walker

BCC Members present: Doug Underhill, Chairman

Jeff Bergosh, Vice Chairman

Steven Barry Lumon May Grover Bobins

Grover Robinson

Counsels present: Bradley S. Odom, ECUA Counsel

Alison Rogers, BCC Counsel

Staff present: Stephen E. Sorrell, ECUA Executive Director

Jack Brown, County Administrator

Linda Iversen, Executive Assistant to the

Board (ECUA)

ITEM 1 – INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Prior to calling the special joint meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Board and the Escambia County Board of Commissioners to order, Messrs. Walker and Underhill provided the invocations. Mr. McCorvey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 2 - CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Benson called the special joint meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Board and the Escambia County Board of Commissioners to order at approximately 5:33 p.m.

ITEM 3 - ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chairman Benson indicated that she wished to move Open Forum to follow Adoption of Agenda.

A motion was made by Ms. Campbell, and seconded, to adopt the agenda as presented and amended. Motion carried 10-0.

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ITEM 4 - CONTINUED COOPERATION AND JOINT PROJECT SUCCESSES

Discussions were held concerning the following items, with verbal updates and status reports being provided. Video presentations were made for item (a).

- (a) Materials Recycling Facility/Composting
- (b) Roadway, storm sewer, sanitary sewer and water line/fire hydrant improvements
- (c) Commercial Driver's License Training and testing
- (d) Plastic bags
- (e) Innerarity Island Development Corporation water system
- (f) Miscellaneous items

A status report on the provision of sewer service to the Ensley area was provided, with Mr. McCorvey indicating that funding for the project is not available.

Discussion was held concerning private lift stations and what is needed to address the issues with the remaining private lift stations, with County staff indicating that, along with ECUA staff, plans and policies are in place that will not allow such situations to occur in the future.

Discussion was also held concerning the need to address the criminal aspect in Escambia County and what actions can be taken to perhaps alleviate situations before they become criminal issues.

Mr. Robinson indicated that perhaps having one provider of potable water in Escambia County needs to be considered at some point to provide consistency of service and rates.

Dr. Walker advised of an "extreme rainfall event" report, stating that the report indicates that the Pacific Northwest and Gulf Coast area could see such an event that would be upwards of what the area experienced in the April 2014 flood. Further, if that should occur, the damage could be devastating and very costly. Dr. Walker stated he feels the local officials should be considering this possibility and plan accordingly.

Chairman Benson requested that, although minutes of the meeting would be available, that each group put together a bulleted list of issues discussed at this meeting that would allow ECUA and the County to work together on those issues.

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ITEM 5 - OPEN FORUM

Although reflected in agenda order in these minutes, Open Forum was considered following the adoption of the agenda.

There were no comments from the audience.

ITEM 6 – ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the special joint meeting meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Board and the Escambia County Board of Commissioners, Chairman Benson declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen E. Sorrell
Executive Director and
Secretary

APPROVED BY THE ECUA BOARD IN REGULAR SESSION ON 03/23/17.

- (X) Without corrections/amendments.
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